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The planned production of 500 iconoscopes per month was not Soviet sponsored, but represented the ultimate goal of the German staff at the Central Laboratories at Berlin, Adlershof. This institution is the sole producer of iconoscopes in the Soviet Zone and it was calculated that all iconoscopes not used in East Zone television studios would be made available for export to the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia and other satellite countries. The Germans expected a 90 per cent production waste due to glass breakage or other malfunctions, but expected to be able to reduce this high loss gradually.

up to now only three or four iconoscopes had actually been produced, but the glass of all of these iconoscopes had broken after a few hours of testing and that no iconoscopes at all were available at the institution at present.

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